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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7686**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1908

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 1, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Commuter Transportation District Board.

**FISCAL ANALYST:** James Sperlik

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **X DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill defines "commuter" for purposes of the law governing commuter transportation districts. It adds one commuter member and one employee member to the board of trustees of a commuter transportation district. The bill also provides for the method of initial appointment and future appointments for the commuter member and the employee member.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This proposal adds two commuter members to the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District (NICTD) Board of Trustees. NICTD operates the Chicago South Shore South Bend railroad. Currently, the NICTD Board consists of nine members. NICTD has expended the following amounts for per diem over the last three calendar years.

Year	Amount
1998	\$3,550
1999	\$2,300
2000	\$4,100

The three-year average per diem expenditure is \$3,317, or approximately \$369 per Board member per year. Based on these data, the cost of two additional Board members will amount to about \$738 annually. The per diem covers Board meetings and any other time when the Board member is representing NICTD in an official capacity. NICTD is supported by fare box revenue, federal funds, and distributions from the Public Mass Transportation Fund (PMTF) and the Commuter Rail Service Fund (CRSF). The PMTF receives 0.76% of Sales Tax revenue and the CRSF receives 0.17% of the Sales Tax revenue.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** John Parsons, Marketing Director of NICTD, 1-219-926-5744.